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FOR APPLICATION FOR UNITED STATES PATENT**

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I verily believe I am the original, first and sole (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

LASER DRILLING SHAPED HOLES

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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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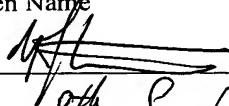
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